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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER The week was cloudy with moderate to heavy snow over most of the State during the week-end. Temperatures were moderate until a marked change to the colder Friday night and Saturday. Humidity was high. Fresh to strong northerly winds caused considerable drifting of the snow over the eastern half of the State Sunday night and Monday morning.

CROPS About 15 percent of the corn crop was picked last week. It was the largest acreage harvested in any week since harvest started this fall. The acreage harvested so far represents about 35 percent of the total. Harvest was fairly general during the first few days of last week, but operations were halted by wet weather about the middle of the week. The outlook for resuming corn picking was further dimmed by the heavy, wet, snowfall at the beginning of this week. Moisture content of the corn crop is still high and demand for drying equipment has been increasing as unfavorable weather continues. Some corn cribbed with too much moisture is in danger of spoiling and some unharvested corn is losing quality as a result of the unusual delay.

Sorghum harvest continued to lag behind corn. About 25 percent of the sorghum crop was harvested by the end of last week. Around 10 percent of the crop was combined during the week - mostly during the first few days. As in the case of corn, more acreage was harvested last week than in any week this fall. Sorghum is also carrying too much moisture for safe storage. High winds, rain and snow have caused considerable lodging of the sorghum crop, making machine harvest difficult and, in some cases, impossible.

Some farmers are turning livestock into corn and sorghum fields in an effort to salvage grain from flattened stalks, or from that which has dropped to the ground.

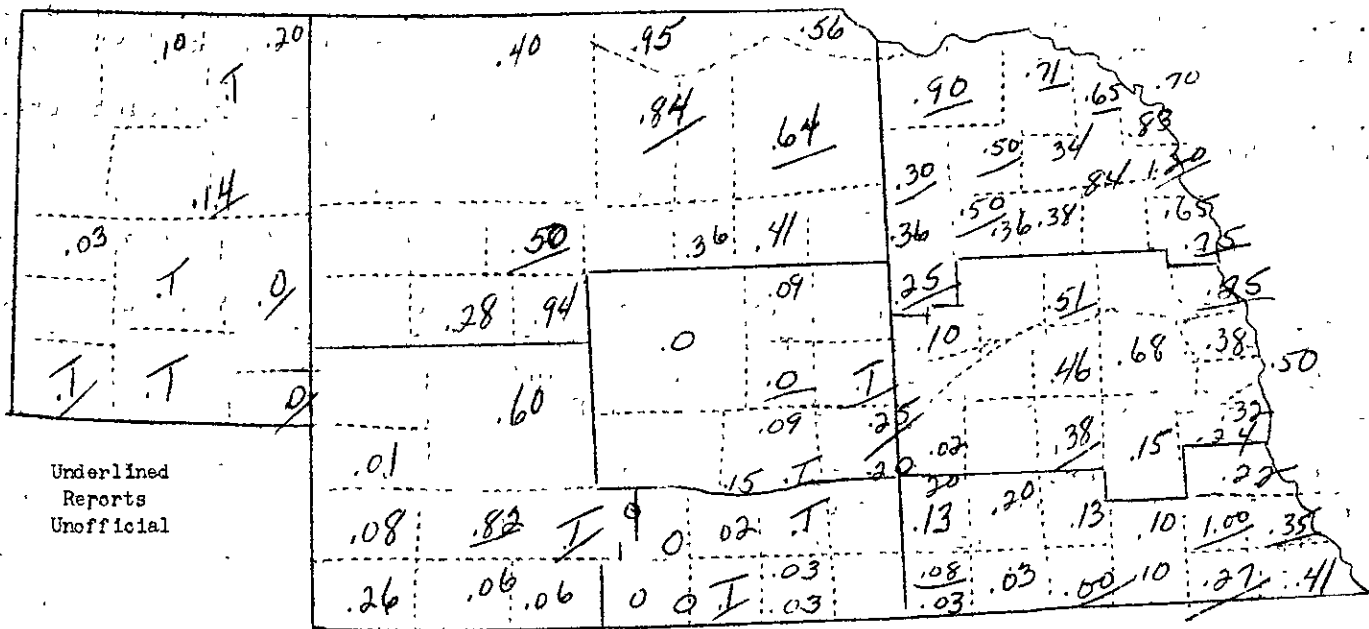
Sugar beet harvest was about finished in the west. Yields were somewhat lower than expected earlier but still above average. Wet weather at harvest was detrimental. A few soybeans are still to be harvested in the northeastern counties.

LIVESTOCK Demand for livestock to salvage corn and sorghums is exceptionally strong. Farmers facing losses in yield and quality are looking for stock to consume grain in damaged fields or in other fields where moisture content of the grain is hopelessly high. Shipments of feeder cattle into the state have been above a year ago, but lamb-feeding is expected to be on a smaller scale than last year.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 18, 1957

	<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>
Grand Island	.67	Burwell	.47	Chadron	.49
Lincoln	1.37	North Platte	.91	Imperial	.21
Norfolk	.76	Valentine	.44	Scottsbluff	.63
Omaha	1.50			Sidney	.32
Sioux City	.93				

# PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 15, 1957



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:30 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:30 a.m. CST)

		November													
		12th		13th		14th		15th		16th		17th		18th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	61	28	53	20	55	29	45	32	42	31	38	30	33	26
	Scottsbluff	60	30	54	24	54	25	50	31	45	16	32	28	35	11
	Sidney	64	32	54	25	54	26	56	30	43	13	30	26	29	14
NC	Burwell	51	37	48	30	51	24	50	39	45	30	33	27	33	23
	Valentine	65	37	58	23	58	24	54	32	38	29	31	28	31	26
NE	Norfolk	50	43	49	42	46	40	52	42	44	32	33	31	33	25
	Sioux City	55	43	50	40	46	42	48	39	45	34	34	33	35	26
Gen	Grand Island	47	41	48	42	47	31	58	45	48	34	34	30	34	24
EC	Lincoln	52	45	53	40	46	43	52	45	46	37	38	32	34	27
	Omaha	53	42	51	39	43	40	51	42	44	34	32	31	32	26
SW	Imperial	60	26	59	24	58	19	64	37	47	20	30	27	31	23
	North Platte	--	40	53	24	58	24	55	39	45	32	31	29	32	25

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